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## **U.S. Fleet Forces Command to Announce 2011 Fleet Sea, Shore Sailors of the Year**

NORFOLK, Va. – Commander, U.S. Fleet Forces will announce the 2011 U.S. Fleet Forces Command (USFF) Sea and Shore Fleet Sailors of the Year during an awards ceremony Thursday, March 8, at building C-9 on Naval Station Norfolk.

Following the announcement from Adm. John C. Harvey Jr., the Fleet Sea Sailor of the Year will travel to Washington, D.C., in May and be meritoriously promoted to chief petty officer by the Chief of Naval Operations, while the Fleet Shore Sailor of the Year will move forward in one more round of competition for the Chief of Naval Operations Shore Sailor of the Year.

The U.S. Fleet Forces Command Sailor of the Year Program exists to recognize the best and brightest Sailors throughout USFF. A total of 12 candidates are in competition for the two honors. The week-long Sailor of the Year activities included competition as well as social functions that honor the nominees' service.

### **Candidates nominated for Fleet Sea Sailor of the Year are:**

Hospital Corpsman 1<sup>st</sup> Class (FMF/SW/AW) Atiba Mathlin  
U.S. Fleet Forces Command, Marine Forces Security Regiment, Norfolk

Aviation Ordnanceman 1<sup>st</sup> Class (AW/SW) Naomi Stout  
Patrol Squadron (VP) 8, Jacksonville, Fla.

Ship's Serviceman 1<sup>st</sup> Class (SW/AW) Angela Zamora  
USS Wasp (LHD 1), Norfolk

Cryptologic Technician (Collection) 1<sup>st</sup> (IDW/SW) Class Christopher Cook  
Navy Information Operations Command, Fort Gordon, Ga.

Electrician's Mate 1<sup>st</sup> Class (SS) William Nagel  
USS Albany (SSN 753), Norfolk

Engineman 1<sup>st</sup> Class (EXW/SW) Alfredo Granados  
Riverine Squadron (RIVRON) 2, Norfolk

**Candidates nominated for Fleet Shore Sailor of the Year are:**

Aerographer's Mate 1<sup>st</sup> Class (AW/SW) Richard Lehmkuhl  
Fleet Weather Center, Norfolk

Aircrew Survival Equipmentman 1<sup>st</sup> Class (AW) Maria Johnson  
Strike Fighter Squadron (VFA) 106, Virginia Beach, Va.

Operations Specialist 1<sup>st</sup> Class (SW) Anthony Garcia  
Afloat Training Group Mid-Atlantic, Norfolk

Information Systems Technician 1<sup>st</sup> Class (IDW/SW) Richard Skees  
Navy Cyber Defense Operations Command, Virginia Beach, Va.

Yeoman 1<sup>st</sup> Class (SS) Scott Biden  
Submarine Group (SUBGRU) 10, King's Bay, Ga.

Logistics Specialist 1<sup>st</sup> Class (EXW/SW) Marqueast Tillery  
Expeditionary Combat Readiness Center, Virginia Beach, Va.

**Media wishing to attend the Fleet Sailor of the Year announcement should contact Chief Mary Popejoy at (757) 836-8390 or [mary.popejoy@navy.mil](mailto:mary.popejoy@navy.mil) no later than Wednesday, March 7 at 3 p.m. Advance notification is required for access to Naval Station Norfolk.**

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